

**DECLARATION**

I, **Charles A. McClure**, declare that I am a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 160 Kendal Drive, Lexington, VA 24450;

AND I have read the foregoing specification and claims, and I understand the same and verily believe I am the original, first, and sole inventor of the invention described and claimed therein, viz.

**GASEOUS FUEL PRODUCTION FROM FRAGMENTARY CARBON-RICH FEEDSTOCK**

AND I acknowledge a duty to disclose information I am aware of which is material to the examination of this application, in accordance with Rule 56(a) of the Rules in Patent Cases [37 CFR 1.56(a)];

AND I do not know and do not believe that this invention was ever known or used in the United States before my invention thereof, or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before my invention thereof, or more than one year prior to this application; or in public use or on sale in the United States more than one year prior to this application;

AND I believe that this invention has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate in any country foreign to the United States on an application filed by me or my legal representatives or assigns more than twelve months before this application;

AND that no application for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention has been filed by me or my representatives or assigns in any country foreign to the United States;

AND I have not assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed, and I am under no obligation to assign, grant, convey, or license, any rights in the invention to any person who could not likewise be classified as an independent inventor if that person had made the invention, or to any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern or a non-profit organization under Rule 9 of the Rules in Patent Cases [37 CFR 1.9]; AND

**DECLARATION (Cont'd)**

I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

**POWER OF ATTORNEY**

And I hereby appoint **Charles A. McClure** (Reg. No. 17,177)

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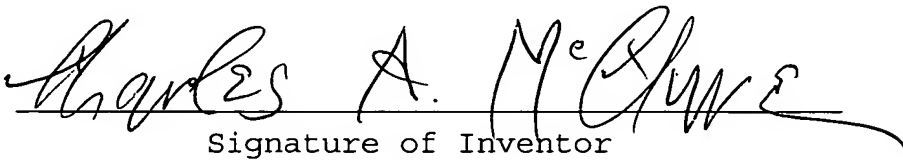
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as my attorney, with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

**PETITION**

**WHEREFORE** I pray that Letters Patent be granted to me for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the foregoing specification and claims, and I hereby subscribe my name to the foregoing specification and claims, declaration, power of attorney, and this petition.

Date: 31 December 2003

  
Signature of Inventor

Name of Inventor:

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**McClure**

First Name

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Last Name